



Programme of the
**BoPC EXCO
HAND OVER
CEREMONY**

Under a new Chairman
**Amb. Dr. Mrs.
Comfort Olu Eyitayo,**
mni, OON, FCA

Date:

Friday, 18th July, 2025

Venue:

IDSICAN House, 4, Araromi Street,
Ikeja, Lagos.

Chairman, BoPC 2025-2027

IDSICAN...the Pacesetter District



Mallam Haruna N. Yahaya, Ph.D, mni, FCA
61st ICAN President



Amb. Dr. Mrs Comfort O. Eyitayo, mni, OON, FCA

CHAIRMAN'S PROFILE

EYITAYO, COMFORT OLUJUMOKE,
CPA, MNIM, CFA, ACFE, FICBC, FCA, mni, OON

Comfort Eytayo is an astute professional. She is a Chartered Accountant, a Fellow and a past President of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria (ICAN) having served as the 57th President of the Institute. Comfort is a recipient of the Nation's Honours Award as Officer of the Order of the Niger (OON), for hard work, contribution to human capital development and sterling leadership skills. She is an alumnus of the prestigious National Institute of Policy and Strategic Studies (NIPSS), Kuru-Jos, Nigeria. She served as the National Treasurer of the Association for four years (2013 – 2017).

On the International space, she served her profession at the top level. Comfort Eytayo served as the President of Association of Accountancy Bodies in West Africa (ABWA) after serving previously as the Treasurer of the Association. She was a Board Member of Pan African Federation of Accountants (PAFA) which is the overall Body for Accountancy Organisations in Africa. She is currently serving as Technical Adviser to a Past President of ICAN on Professional Accountancy Organisation Development Advisory Group (PAODAG), one of the Advisory Groups of the International Federation of Accountants (IFAC) which is the World Body for all Professional Accountancy Association (2018 – to-date). She served as a Council member of IFAC for 2021 – 2022. In addition, she is currently serving as a member of the Small and Medium Practice Advisory Group (SMPAG) of IFAC due to her wealth of experience in the professional practice space within the SMP category.

She is a member of the Governing Council of one of the leading faith based private University and also a Board member of a Healthcare company, Software Development company, and National Business Development Group. She was conferred an Honouree Degree of PhD in Entrepreneurship Development and Management by United Nations POLAC. She was honoured with Award of Achievement in recognition of her immense contribution to the field of Business Consultancy and unwavering commitment to Excellence by the Institute of Certified Business Consultants, Nigeria (ICBC). She was specially recognised with an Award in the Diamond category by ICAN-Ijebu Ode and District Society for her unquantifiable support for the District and her selfless service to the Institute and to the Nation. Recently, she was decorated with the Ambassadorial Sash for the Award and recognition as a Distinguished GIPEC Ambassador by the GIPEC Chaplaincy Corps in Lagos, Nigeria. One of her latest recognition and Award is the, Face of Africa Icon Legacy Award (FAILA) in South Africa. In May 2025, she was appointed as Strategic Patron – African Women in Business, Nigeria, under the Institute of Certified Business Consultants.

She achieved membership of many other professional Organisations which include, Chartered Institute of Taxation (CITN), Society of Company and Commercial Accountant (ASCCA), Association of Computer Professional (ACP), Association of Certified Fraud Examiner (ACFE), Certified Forensic Auditor (CFA). She is a Fellow, of the Institute of Certified Business Consultants, Nigeria (FICBC).

She thrives as an entrepreneur with ventures cutting across Financial, Information Technology and Hospitality Industries. She is an accomplished Author and Publisher.

LIST OF PAST CHAIRMEN AND YEAR OF SERVICE

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| 1. MR. BEN AGBODE ARENYEKA, FCA (LATE) | 1982-1984 |
| 2. MR. EMMANUEL ADEYEMO OGUNLOWO, FCA (LATE) | 1984-1985 |
| 3. MR. CHRISTOPHER ADEWUNMI OJEIKERE, FCA (LATE) | 1986-1988 |
| 4. CHIEF OLUBEMI AREMU AKINDELE, FCA | 1988-1989 |
| 5. CHIEF ABIODUN BABATUNDE ADEPEJU, FCA (LATE) | 1989-1990 |
| 6. MR. GABRIEL A. YADUA, FCA (LATE) | 1990-1992 |
| 7. MR. ABIODUN OLANREWAJU OREDEIN, FCA (LATE) | 1992-1993 |
| 8. CHIEF SAMUEL OLUFEMI DERU, FCA (LATE) | 1993-1995 |
| 9. MR. AKINNIYI AKINBOWALE, FCA (LATE) | 1995-1997 |
| 10. MR. SIMON OLOLADE FADEYIBI, FCA (LATE) | 1997-1998 |
| 11. MRS. MORONFOLU ADEYINKA OLOWU, FCA | 1998-1999 |
| 12. OTUNBA WALE AYODEJI ODUNLAMI, FCA | 1999-2000 |
| 13. CHIEF CYRIL IKEMEFUNA EDE, FCA (LATE) | 2000-2001 |
| 14. MR. OLUTAYO AYODEJI PHILLIPS, FCA | 2001-2002 |
| 15. AMB. DR. (MRS.) COMFORT OLU EYITAYO, mni, OON, FCA | 2002-2003 |
| 16. MR. SAKA GBADURA, FCA | 2003-2004 |
| 17. MR. HAKEEM AFOLABI AKIYODE, FCA | 2004-2005 |
| 18. MR. SUNDAY BABAYEMI OSHO, FCA (LATE) | 2005-2006 |
| 19. DR. (MRS.) SHAKIRAT ADEPEJU BABATUNDE, FCA | 2006-2007 |
| 20. MR. EMMANUEL OLUWOLE OJEYINKA, FCA | 2007-2008 |
| 21. MR. ISAAC OLUSOJI OLADAPO, FCA | 2008-2009 |
| 22. MR. CHUKS OSUAGWU, FCA | 2009-2010 |
| 23. MR. JOSHUA OKEOWO ODERINDE, FCA | 2010-2011 |
| 24. MRS. WENDY GARUBA-AYENI, FCA | 2011-2012 |
| 25. MR. PATRICK OLUROPO SANI, FCA | 2012-2013 |
| 26. MR. FRANCIS EGBA, FCA | 2013-2014 |
| 27. MR. OLUSEYI OGUNJOBI, FCA | 2014-2015 |
| 28. MR. GBENGA ADEWOLE, FCA | 2015-2016 |
| 29. MRS. MORENIKEJI 'DAYO OLAIWOLE, FCA | 2016-2017 |
| 30. MR. ADEBAYO JIMOH AYOADE, FCA | 2017-2018 |
| 31. MR. ONI OLALERE, FCA | 2018-2019 |
| 32. MR. KAMORU IDOWU AMODU, FCA | 2019-2020 |
| 33. MRS. RITA AKPAN, FCA | 2020-2021 |
| 34. MRS. TAIBAT ABENI MALOMO, FCA | 2021-2022 |
| 35. MR. OLUSESAN SAMUEL OKUNADE, FCA | 2022-2023 |
| 36. COMRADE BALA ZAKKA, FCA | 2023-2024 |
| 37. MRS. ABIOYE OMOBOLANLE BALOGUN, FCA | 2024-2025 |

PROGRAMME OF EVENT

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| 4pm – 5pm | Arrival |
| 5pm – 5.10pm | Opening prayer/National Anthem/ICAN Anthem |
| 5.10pm – 5.20pm | Welcome Address by the Organizing Committee chairman |
| 5.20pm – 5.30pm | Short remarks by the Outgoing Chairman – Mr. Tayo Phillips |
| 5.30pm – 5.50pm | Hand Over Ceremonies (i) Abridged Profile of the Incoming Chairman (ii) Change of Baton/decoration with Insignia of Office and other formalities |
| 5.50pm – 6.00pm | Acceptance speech by the new BoPC Chairman |
| 5.50pm – 6.00pm | Recognition - of new EXCO members |
| 6.00pm – 6.05pm | A Charge to the new EXCO members by the Chairman |
| 6.05pm – 6.10pm | Words of Advice to the new EXCO By Mr Herbert Agbebiyi, FCA; (Chairman ICAN Body Past Presidents) |
| 6.10pm – 6.30pm | Goodwill messages – Invited Guests |
| 6.30pm – 6.40pm | Order of photographs |
| 6.40pm – 7.00pm | Social Interactions / Closing formalities |

MEET THE EXCO 2025-2027



Amb. Dr. Mrs Comfort Olu Eyitayo,
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CHAIRMAN



PC Gbadura Saka, FCA
VICE CHAIRMAN



PC Patrick Sanni, FCA
GENERAL SECRETARY



PC Oluseyi Ogunjobi, FCA
ASST. GENERAL SECRETARY



PC Francis Egba, FCA
TREASURER



PC Taibat Malomo, FCA
SOCIAL/WELFARE SECRETARY



PC Olusesan Okunade, FCA
ASST. TREASURER

ABOUT THE BoPC OF IKEJA & DISTRICT SOCIETY OF ICAN

The Body of Past Chairmen (BoPC), as the name suggests, consists of eminent personalities that had served at various times as Chairmen of the Ikeja and District Society of ICAN. This body of elder statesmen and women is to assist from their wealth of experience and having passed through the process themselves, render quality advice to the current Executive Members and the leadership of IDSICAN. The Body serves as a stabilising force to the District to ensure focus, honour, peace, harmony, equity and prosperity of its members.

Up to year 2005, the BoPC existed as a Committee of the District Society and chaired by the incumbent Chairman of the District.

However, on **Tuesday, 31 October 2006** at a meeting held at Sheraton Hotel and Towers, Ikeja, the Body of Past Chairmen, was properly and popularly inaugurated. The meeting was attended by 15 eminent personalities (11 Past Chairmen and 4 serving Executive Committee of the IDSICAN). This was for it to properly take its rightful position and carry out its functions which the then structure did not support.

At the meeting of that day, after speeches for the reasons of converging were given by PC Olutayo Phillips FCA (Past Chairman) and the then Chairman, Dr. (Mrs.) Shakirat Adepeju Babatunde FCA, the body of Past Chairmen cut its teeth. At the meeting, PC Prince Gabriel Akomoh Yadua FCA was unanimously elected as the substantive and pioneer Chairman, and the Secretary was PC Gbadura Saka FCA. BoPC holds its quarterly meetings regularly and has been assisting IDSICAN on the path of growth, honour and peace.

In 2015, the BoPC constitution was passed and Late PC Samuel Olufemi Deru FCA (ICAN PP) succeeded the pioneer Chairman, late PC Prince Gabby Yadua, FCA, while our amiable Amazon, Mrs Adeyinka Olowu-Fadeyibi, FCA took over the mantle between 2015 and 2021, and giving further stability and purposeful leadership to the body, Mr. Olutayo Ayodeji Phillips, FCA chaired the body from 2021 to 2025.

HISTORY OF IKEJA AND DISTRICT SOCIETY OF ICAN (IDSICAN) (THE PACESETTER DISTRICT)

The Ikeja & District Society of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria (IDSICAN) was launched on Thursday 12th day of August 1982. The launch which took place at the main hall of the Lagos Country Club, Airport Road (Now Mobolaji Bank Anthony Way) Ikeja, Lagos through the support of the then President, Secretary and the Treasurer of Lagos Country Club, Mr. S.A Jimoh, Mr. Bayo Delano and the Secretary, Chief A. A Jimoh. It attracted the movers and shakers of the Nigerian Economy.

Mr. P.G. Dudney O.B.E, the then Chairman/Managing Director of Vita foam Nigeria Plc, chaired the occasion and the Guest Speaker was Dr. A.K Ubeku the then Managing Director (Designate), Guinness Nigeria Plc. and Pro-Chancellor, Bendel State University now known as Ambrose Ali University. The then ICAN President, Chief Olusola Faleye FCA was the Chief Launcher. The following great names in the Nigerian Economy were in attendance; Indeed IDSICAN was born great and will remain great. Since then, the District has paraded very noble Men and Women of substance as Chairmen.

Institution of Insignia of Office

In 1993, IDSICAN launched Insignia of office for Chairmen of the District. It was intended to distinguish the Chairman and the flagbearer of the District from other members in any social and professional events organized by the District. The debut was later to be copied by other District Societies in ICAN family.

IDSICAN Constitution

The District, in 1993, inaugurated its Constitution guiding the administration, succession and activities of the District. The maiden constitution provided a 20-member executive committee assigned with specific portfolio. The Constitution, with the following highlights, provided the committee system to run its affairs:

HISTORY OF IKEJA AND DISTRICT SOCIETY OF ICAN (IDSICAN) (THE PACESETTER DISTRICT)

Elected Members:

16 members elected (8 members each from Practice and Not-In-Practice)

Appointed Members:

3 Immediate Past IDSICAN Chairmen

1 ICAN Council Member (Residing or with principal place of business within IDSICAN area.)

First IDSICAN Retreat

In 1992, IDSICAN organized a fee-paying residential weekend lecture held at Plaza Hotel, Ota as part of re-tooling and re-sharpening of Chartered Accountants. As part of the advocacy programme of IDSICAN, courtesy visit was paid to Chief Olusegun Aremu Obasanjo, GCFR, in his Ota farm. This former military Head of State physically received the IDSICAN Chairman and members in person. Part of the distinguished and eminent personalities invited by PC Gabby Yadua, FCA the then Chairman, to grace the weekend event was the business mogul, distinguished Scotland Chartered Accountant, late Chief Moshood Kasimawo Olawale Abiola, FCA. Interestingly, many people thought it was a mission impossible to have Chief Abiola attend the programme. As the evening of the day was about to set, behold, the arrival of Chief M.K.O. Abiola was heralded by clapping and shouting of M.K.O. In his characteristic humility, MKO had to explain why he came late. The tempo changed, press swarmed to catch a glimpse of him, photo journalists had a field day feasting on him and the press was awashed with this great event that day and in the print media, the following day.

Inter District visits

Inter-District exchange visits were organized with sister District Societies. The first was between IDSICAN and Ibadan District Society. This was in year 1998.

Journey to IDSICAN Permanent Secretariat – IDSICAN HOUSE

After the inauguration of IDSICAN on Thursday, 12th August 1982, Guinness Nigeria Limited head office on Oba Akran Avenue, Ikeja was the take-off secretariat of this infant District Society.

HISTORY OF IKEJA AND DISTRICT SOCIETY OF ICAN (IDSICAN) (THE PACESETTER DISTRICT)

For years, the IDSICAN was nourished there through the support of members working in the company. It later transferred its Secretariat to 7, Akinremi Street, Anifowoshe, Ikeja, the practicing office of its 2nd Chairman, Late Mr. Emmanuel Adeyemo Ogunlowo FCA and later moved with him to an apartment at his 29, Ogunlowo Street, Ikeja. These were donated free of charge by him. The secretariat moved to Vitafoam Nigeria Limited with PC Akinniyi Akinbowale FCA, the then Commercial Director of the company, at no cost to IDSICAN. With the growth in membership and expanded secretarial duties to meet the need of its members, IDSICAN later relocated to a rented flat at 50, Olowu Street, Ikeja with full blown administrative structure. It was from this rented apartment that it moved to its permanent and freehold property at 4, Araromi Street, Anifowose, Ikeja which was inaugurated on 27th May, 2003 during the Chairmanship year of Mrs. Comfort Olujumoke Eyitayo FCA. History was made as IDSICAN became the first District Society in ICAN family to have a freehold owned property located within its domain dedicated to the service of its members.

IDSICAN Property Title Perfection

The rigorous journey to the perfection of the title to the property went through many chairmanship years and was successfully completed in 2020.

IDSICAN Building Facelift

At the acquisition of the IDSICAN House, the bungalow has a two-bedroom flat in the front with an old structure at the back. The second flat occupied by the District was renovated and tastefully furnished befitting the status of the District in 2003/2004 during the chairmanship year of Mr. Gbadura Saka FCA.

In 2005-2006, a one-story building foundation was laid. The turning of the sod for the one-story building was performed in 2008/2009 during the tenure of Mr. Isaac Olusoji Oladapo FCA. Through the focused and concerted efforts of the successive administrations, the building was completed and commissioned on 16 February, 2010 during the Chairmanship year of Mr. Chibueze Osuagwu FCA. In 2017/2018 year, the buildings were repainted. Yet in 2021/2022 year, the buildings witnessed other facelift to reflect new ICAN logo brand, rewiring and contained perennial flooding.

Appreciation

We extend our deepest gratitude to everyone who has contributed to the success of this BoPC Handover Ceremony. Your unwavering support, commitment, and enthusiasm have been the driving force behind our journey.

And to our Past Chairmen, your trust and encouragement fuel our purpose .

Together, we've built something more meaningful and we will continue to Set the Pace.

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BODY OF PAST CHAIRMEN (BoPC)**